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# Funding Horizons



Dear Colleague,

Welcome to another edition of Funding Horizons, a compilation of useful information relating to funding opportunities at the Bangalore Life Science Cluster campus. This newsletter includes information on forthcoming funding deadlines, institutional policies, recent funding successes and more.

We hope this will be useful for you in planning your funding applications.

With Best Wishes,  
Savita Ayyar (on Behalf of Team RDO)

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## Funding News

### **SERB funding**

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## Extra Mural Research Scheme (EMR)

The Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB) is restructuring its mechanisms for submission of proposals, evaluation of proposals and release of grants under the Extra Mural Research scheme (EMR). From May 2016, applications for EMR grants will be accepted only against specific call for proposals which will be made twice a year and will be announced on the SERB website. Submissions will be via the SERB online portal <http://serbonline.in/SERB/HomePage.do>.

## Proposal submission and Funding cycles: Timelines

First Call	Second Call
<u>Announcement:</u> 1st week of June	<u>Announcement:</u> 1st week of Nov
<u>Application submission window:</u> 1st June to 31st July	<u>Application submission window:</u> 1st Nov to 31st Dec
<u>Funding Decision:</u> Dec	<u>Funding Decision:</u> May next year
<u>Grant release:</u> Jan-Feb next year	<u>Grant release:</u> June-July

## New Schemes launched

SERB has recently launched two new schemes, namely, “High Risk -High Reward”, and “Industry Relevant R & D”. The call for submission of proposals for these two schemes is now open. Applications are accepted via the SERB online submission portal <http://serbonline.in/SERB/HomePage.do>

### High Risk High Reward

This scheme aims to support proposals that are conceptually new and risky, and if successful, expected to have a paradigm shifting influence on science and technology. This may be in terms of formulating new hypothesis, or scientific breakthroughs which aid in emergence of new technologies.

Indian nationals holding a regular academic appointment in India are eligible to apply. The scheme provides generous research support for three years (extendable to 5 years).

More details of the scheme can be accessed at <http://www.serb.gov.in/hrhrr.php>

### Industry Relevant R&D

The objective of the scheme is to utilize the expertise available in academic institutions and national laboratories to solve industry specific problems for the larger benefit of society. The

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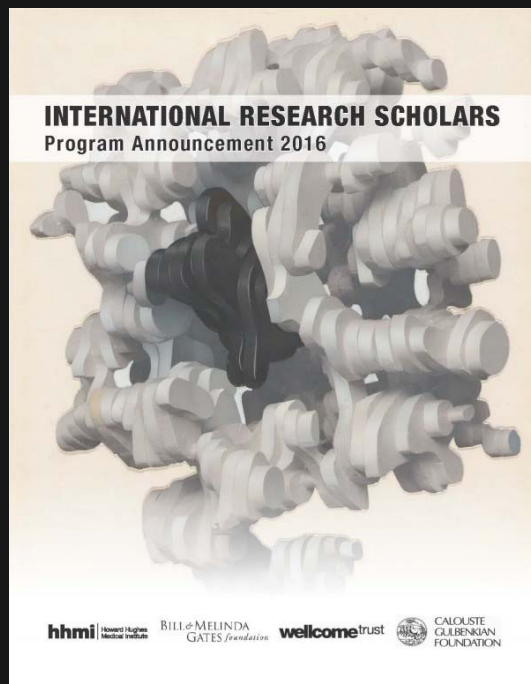
Academic partners include Indian nationals holding a regular academic appointment in India. All industries (including MSME & industrial R&D Centres) are eligible.

Funding is provided for a maximum duration of three years and is shared between SERB and the Industry partner. SERB will provide funds up to Rs.50 lakhs for supporting research costs to the academic partner. The industry partner is expected to share up to 50% of the total costs of the project.

More details of the scheme can be accessed at <http://www.serb.gov.in/irrd.php>

## International Research Scholars program- 2016

<https://www.hhmi.org/sites/default/files/Programs/International/International-Research-Scholars-Program-Announcement.pdf>



HHMI has recently announced an international researcher scheme for supporting highly qualified scientists working in selected countries outside the United States and United Kingdom who are in the critical beginning stages of their independent careers.

This scheme is brought together by a consortium of funders, including the HHMI, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Wellcome Trust, and the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation and offers research support of upto \$650,000 for a period of 5 years (\$250,000 in year 1 and \$100,000 for the following 4 years).

Applicants are expected to exhibit exceptional potential for significant productivity and originality in their independent careers. Eligible candidates must have trained in the United States or United Kingdom at the doctoral, medical or postdoctoral level for at least one year. Applicants must hold a full time position as an independent scientist at a research oriented university, non-profit research institution in any country (India eligible) except the G-7 countries and select excluded countries and should have started their first independent research position on or after April 1, 2009. The scheme supports biomedical research in basic biological and disease mechanisms or in areas if chemistry, physics, computer science or engineering that are directly related to biology or medicine

Applications will be accepted online via the HHMI web portal (<http://www.hhmi.org/research/application/irs2017>) till the submission deadline of **30-June-2016**.

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**PIs from the Bangalore Life Science Cluster wishing to apply to this scheme must submit their expressions of interest to the RDO by 1st June.**

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## New Travel funding

### Infosys Travel awards

We are pleased to announce Infosys travel awards which are intramural funding opportunities for students/Postdoc/JRFs on our campus, created by generous support from the Infosys Foundation.

Under this scheme, two categories of travel support are made available to early career researchers from BLiSc, which include:

1. Infosys Travel awards to attend conferences.
2. Infosys Travel awards for collaborative research visits.

The maximum contribution that can be requested via the Infosys Foundation Travel Award is Rs. 1 lakh for attending conferences and Rs 2 lakhs for visiting collaborator laboratories for longer durations.

Applications to this scheme will be accepted throughout the year and will be reviewed on a periodic basis by a committee drawn up by the Academic Office. The students/JRFs /Postdocs are required to be nominated by their campus PI. The application form available here (<http://intranet.ncbs.res.in/infosys-foundation-travel-awards>) should be filled and submitted to the Academic office ([acadoffice@ncbs.res.in](mailto:acadoffice@ncbs.res.in)), copying in the RDO ([rdo@ncbs.res.in](mailto:rdo@ncbs.res.in)). Applicants will be notified about the outcome of their proposals, by the Academic Office.

### PLOS Early Career travel Awards

PLOS- a non-profit Open Access publisher, innovator and advocacy organization founded in 2001 has recently announced the Early Career Travel Award Program. The scheme is designed to support growth of the early career researchers as effective communicators.

Applicants must have confirmed acceptance to present at a conference between 1 May 2016- 31 May 2016, be listed as an author on a PLOS journal article with publication date on or before the submission date, and be enrolled in a graduate program or have received graduate degree within the last five years.

The scheme offers support of \$500 to offset registration and/or travel expenses associated with attending scientific conference for applicant's work accepted for presentation. More details on the scheme can be accessed at [https://www.plos.org/ecr-travel-awards?utm\\_source=plos&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=plos-1605-ectap](https://www.plos.org/ecr-travel-awards?utm_source=plos&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=plos-1605-ectap)

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## RDO Services- Update

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Philanthropic support and corporate collaborations can play a vital role in supplementing existing funding support from Government and other agencies. These funding modes can help expand our reach and for developing and sustaining an outstanding, internationally competitive scientific environment at the Bangalore Life Science Cluster. At the RDO, our goal is to maximize philanthropic and corporate support options available to the campus. We support corporate collaborations by reviewing, drafting, negotiating, finalizing and managing agreements and other documentation with external organizations, as needed. The RDO also supports philanthropic partnerships for the campus by providing assistance with prospect research, donor engagement, preaward negotiations and postaward management of donations.

More information on corporate and philanthropic fundraising for the Bangalore Life Science Cluster can be accessed at <https://www.ncbs.res.in/rdo/sponsor-agreements> and <https://www.ncbs.res.in/rdo/activities>.

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## Awarded grants

This section provides brief details of the recent funding successes from our campus. We wish all the investigators well for their proposed programmes of research. All correspondence on awarded grants should be directed to [rdopostaward@ncbs.res.in](mailto:rdopostaward@ncbs.res.in)

**Hiyaa Ghosh** *Ramanujan Fellowship*, SERB

**Dhandapany Perundurai** *Ramanujan Fellowship*, SERB

**Tina Mukherjee** *Ramalingaswamy Fellowship*, DBT

**Sanjay Sane** *The Mechanisms of Behavioural Coordination in Flying Insects* Air Force Office Of Scientific Research, AOARD

**Praveen Kumar Vemula** *Mining the genome and metagenome of marine microbiome for pks-nrps biosynthetic gene clusters and bioactive small molecules. A Coordinated R&D initiative in marine genomics*, DBT

**MM Panicker** *Role of 5-HT2A in mental illness*, DBT Neuroscience

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## Philanthropic support to the campus

### Infosys Foundation



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The philanthropic arm of India's IT giant Infosys, the Infosys Foundation, has provided corpus funding to the Bangalore Life Science Cluster, to support 35 early career researcher travels awards each year for international travel and stay at research laboratories outside of India

*We firmly believe that Research in areas such as Science and Mathematics is critical to a nation's development. To build a sustainable economy, there is an urgent need to usher in a transformative student intelligentsia. This partnership with the Bangalore Life Science Cluster will enable us to facilitate a global environment for students - the future leaders, and amplify their horizons. In today's interconnected world, educational and cultural exchanges are necessary; the focus is on students as global citizens as we move into a borderless world."* said Sudha Murty, Chairperson of Infosys Foundation

More about the Infosys Travel awards at  
<http://news.ncbs.res.in/story/infosys-foundation-provides-corpus-support-bangalore-life-science-cluster-promote-global-conne>

### Forthcoming deadlines

(<https://www.ncbs.res.in/rdo/sponsor-deadlines>)

### May- Aug 2016

This section provides a list of funding opportunities with deadlines up to Aug 2016. All queries on new grant submissions should be directed to [rdo@ncbs.res.in](mailto:rdo@ncbs.res.in)

Applicants are requested to allow at least 2 weeks before a submission deadline for RDO

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## Research Fellowship/Grants

### R & D Proposals on TB Diagnostic Markers (DBT)

**Remit:** To support development of innovative, field-applicable and cost-effective diagnostic biomarkers for Tuberculosis.

**Applicant eligibility:** Proposals may be submitted by scientists/ interdisciplinary groups working in recognized R & D Institutions.

**Duration:** 3 years

**Agency deadline:** 31st May, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.dbtindia.nic.in/wp-content/uploads/Revised-TB-RFA.pdf>

### Individual Research Proposal -Cognitive Science Research Initiative (DST)

**Remit:** To promote and intensify cutting edge research in Cognitive Science.

**Applicant eligibility:** Scientists/academicians with research background in Cognitive Science

**Budget:** Equipment, Manpower and direct research costs

**Duration:** 3 years

**Deadline:** 31st May, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://dst.gov.in/sites/default/files/CSRI-AD-2016.pdf>

### Early Career Research Award (SERB)

**Remit:** To provide quick research support to the young researchers who are in their early career for pursuing exciting and innovative research in frontier areas of science and engineering.

**Applicant eligibility:** Applicant must hold a PhD and regular academic/research position in a recognized academic institution/ or national laboratories or any other recognized R&D institutions and must be within the first two years of their regular service.

**Budget:** up to Rs. 50 Lakhs (excluding overheads)

**Duration:** 3 years

**Deadline:** 31st May, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://serbonline.in/SERB/ecr>

### Pre-proposals on Plant Microbe Interactions (DBT)

**Remit:** To support early ideas on plant microbe interactions with an impact on agricultural production.

**Applicant eligibility:** Scientists working in Indian research institutes/universities

**Deadline:** 15th June, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.dbtindia.nic.in/wp-content/uploads/Plantmicrobeproposals28042016.pdf>

### International Research Scholars Program (HHMI/ Gates/ Wellcome Trust/ Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation)

**Remit:** To support highly qualified scientists working in selected countries outside the United States and United Kingdom who are in the critical beginning stages of their independent careers.

**Applicant eligibility:** Applicants having outstanding scientific training records and

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States or United Kingdom at the doctoral, medical, or postdoctoral level for at least 1 year.

**Budget:** \$250,000 in the first year and \$100,000 for each of the following four years.

**Duration:** 5 Years

**Deadline:** 30th June, 2016

**Weblink:** <https://www.hhmi.org/sites/default/files/Programs/International/International-Research-Scholars-Program-Announcement.pdf>

#### **Extra Mural Research Scheme (SERB)**

**Remit:** To support scientists for undertaking research in frontier areas of S&T in Life Sciences, Physical Sciences, Chemical Sciences, Engineering Sciences, Earth & Atmospheric Sciences & Mathematical Sciences

**Applicant eligibility:** Ph D, Regular position in Indian research institutes/universities

**Budget:** Up to Rs. 80 lakhs. Projects above Rs. 80 lakhs may be considered by the Empower Committee on case to case basis.

**Duration:** 3 years

**Deadline:** 31st July, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.serb.gov.in/emr.php>

#### **Mobility Scheme for Women Scientists (DST)**

**Remit:** To support women scientists who are facing difficulties in their present job due to relocation

**Applicant eligibility:** Scientists/academicians working at permanent position in any Government Institution/R&D Lab/University and willing to resign from their permanent position or take a long leave to avail the fellowship and return back once the fellowship is over.

**Budget:** Salary and research grant upto Rs 5 lakhs.

**Duration:** 5 years

**Deadline:** 31st July, 2016

**Weblink:** [http://www.dst.gov.in/sites/default/files/ADVERTISEMENT-Mobility\\_0.pdf](http://www.dst.gov.in/sites/default/files/ADVERTISEMENT-Mobility_0.pdf)

### **International Collaboration**

#### **(Belarus) Indo-Belarus Joint Research Programme (DST-SSTC, Belarus)**

**Remit:** To support R&D project proposals from scientists & technologists jointly submitted by scientists from India and Belarus.

**Applicant eligibility:** The applicant should be a Leader of a team of scientists in each country and should hold a full-time position at a University or Research Institution.

**Budget:** Limited research expenses / contingency. Exchange of visits for research projects by scientists, experts or students.

**Duration:** 2 years with an option for extension upto one year.

**Agency deadline:** 31st May, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.dst.gov.in/sites/default/files/India-Belarus-Call%202016.pdf>

#### **(Germany) Indo-German Joint Research Collaboration- Project-based Personnel Exchange Programme with India (DST-DAAD)**

**Remit:** To strengthen the collaboration between Indian and German research groups, which



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**Applicant eligibility:** University professors, scientists/researchers and post-doctoral researchers from German and Indian universities who are in permanent positions at public funded research institutes.

**Budget:** Expenses related to mobility and hospitality for scientists and doctoral students

**Duration:** 2 years

**Deadline:** 15th June, 2016

**Weblink:** [http://www.dst.gov.in/sites/default/files/dst-daad-announcement\\_0.pdf](http://www.dst.gov.in/sites/default/files/dst-daad-announcement_0.pdf)

#### **(Poland) Indo- Poland Joint Research Programme (MNISW-DST)**

**Remit:** To support joint research projects in bilateral mode involving scientists & technologists from India and Poland.

**Applicant eligibility:** The team leader should hold a full-time position at a University or Research Institution in the respective Country.

**Budget:** Research expenses / contingency and exchange visits.

**Duration:** 2 years and upto 1 year extension

**Deadline:** 17th June, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.dst.gov.in/sites/default/files/Indo-Poland-Joint%20-Research-Programme.pdf>

#### **(France): Industry Academia Research & development programme (CEFIPRA)**

**Remit:** To promote linkages between Industry and Academia of France and India by involving at least one industrial partner and one research institutes each from India & France (2+2 Model).

**Applicant eligibility:** Principal collaborators and joint collaborators having permanent position as scientists/ faculty members in universities/ deemed universities, academic institutes and national research and development laboratories/institutes.

**Budget:** Manpower, consumables & contingency, travel

**Duration:** 3 years

**Agency Deadline:** 1st July, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.cefipra.org/section.aspx?catid=877&langid=1>

#### **(UK) Indo-European Science and Technology Call on Biobased energy (INNO INDIGO Partnership Programme)**

**Remit:** To support projects undertaken by a partnership of institutions ("consortium") designed to produce new knowledge in through fundamental, experimental and/or theoretical scientific research in the area of bio-based energy

**Applicant eligibility:** Public and/or private entities are eligible according to their respective national/regional regulations. At least three partners of which two partners must be from two different European countries participating in the call, and one from India. Joint R&D projects designed to lead to innovative products, services or processes of significant economic and/or societal value are eligible for funding.

**Budget:** For projects supported by DBT up to Rs.3 crores/project, for projects supported by DST upto Rs. 1.14 crores /project

**Duration:** 2-5 years (DBT), 3 years (DST)

**Agency deadline:** 12th July, 2016

**Weblink:** [https://indigoprojects.eu/page/74/attach/S\\_T\\_Call\\_Text\\_IPP3\\_final.pdf](https://indigoprojects.eu/page/74/attach/S_T_Call_Text_IPP3_final.pdf)

[Subscribe](#)[Share ▼](#)[Past Issues](#)[Translate](#)**(France) Red Biotechnology up to pre-commercialization stage (CEFIPRA-BIRAC)**

**Remit:** To support bilateral, innovative and market-driven projects in the field of molecular diagnostic for prediction of Alzheimer's and other dementia; Biomaterials and cell engineering for health applications etc.

**Applicant eligibility:** The proposals must involve at least two French partners (one academia and one industry) and two Indian partners (one academia and one industry).

**Budget:** up to 40 lakhs for Indian Side and €50000 for French project costs.

**Duration:** 2 years

**Agency Deadline:** 15th July, 2016

**Weblink:** [http://birac.nic.in/news\\_description.php?id=194](http://birac.nic.in/news_description.php?id=194)

**(UK) Indo-European Innovation Joint Call for proposals in the field of Bioeconomy (INNO INDIGO Partnership Programme)**

**Remit:** To create long-term collaboration between innovation stakeholders based in India and Europe and to pave the way for potential joint market exploitation in the field of bioeconomy.

**Applicant eligibility:** Public and/or private entities are eligible according to their respective national/regional regulations. At least three partners of which two partners must be from two different European countries participating in the call, and one from India.

**Budget:** For projects supported by DBT upto Rs. 3 crores/project; for projects supported by DST upto Rs. 1.14 crores/project

**Duration:** 2-5 years (DBT), 3 years (DST)

**Agency deadline:** 31st Aug, 2016

**Weblink:** [https://indigoprojects.eu/funding/indigo-calls/innovation\\_call\\_2016](https://indigoprojects.eu/funding/indigo-calls/innovation_call_2016)

**International Exchange****Raman–Charpak Fellowship (CEFIPRA)**

**Remit:** To facilitate the exchange of doctoral students between the two countries, in order to broaden the scope and depth of future engagements in science, technology and innovation

**Applicant eligibility:** Applicants from India must be Indian citizens residing in India and have registered for a PhD in a recognized university or research institution in India, Maximum age limit is 30 years as on 1st April, 2016.

**Budget:** Fellowship Support, travel, accommodation, visa, insurance etc

**Duration:** 2-6 months

**Agency deadline:** 31st May, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://cefipra.org/raman-charpak>

[/Updated guidelines For Raman Charpak Fellowship.pdf](#)

**(US) Fullbright-Nehru doctoral research fellowship (USIEF)**

**Remit:** For scholars who are registered for a Ph.D. at an Indian institution.

**Applicant eligibility:** Indian citizen registered for PhD at Indian institution at least for 1 year

**Budget:** Monthly stipend, Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges per U.S. Government guidelines, round-trip economy class air travel, applicable allowances and modest affiliation fees, if any. No dependent allowances are provided

**Duration:** 6-9 months

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**Weblink:** <http://www.usief.org.in/Fellowships/Fulbright-Nehru-Doctoral-Research-Fellowships.aspx>

#### **International Research fellowship (IBRO)**

**Remit:** To provide increased research opportunities for neuroscientists and support the global advancement of neuroscience research.

**Applicant eligibility:** PhD, with 0-7 years post PhD experience and below 45 years of age.

**Budget:** 35,000 euros

**Duration:** 1 year

**Agency Deadline:** Mid-June

**Weblink:** <http://ibro.info/professional-development/funding-programmes/research-fellowships/>

#### **(Austria) Joint call for proposals for exchange (BMWFW-DST)**

**Remit:** To support Indo-Austrian scientific collaboration through promotion and support of researchers' mobility in the framework of bilateral scientific cooperation projects.

**Applicant eligibility:** Researchers working at universities, research institutions and companies.

**Budget:** Travel, accommodation and material cost

**Duration:** 2 years

**Agency deadline:** 30th June, 2016

**Weblink:** [http://www.dst.gov.in/sites/default/files/DST-India%20and%20WTZ-Austria%20Joint%20Call%20for%20Exchange%20visits%20during%202017-2018%20\\_0.pdf](http://www.dst.gov.in/sites/default/files/DST-India%20and%20WTZ-Austria%20Joint%20Call%20for%20Exchange%20visits%20during%202017-2018%20_0.pdf)

#### **(International) Yamagiwa-Yoshida Memorial international study grants (UICC)**

**Remit:** To enable cancer investigators from any country to carry out bilateral research projects abroad which exploit complementary materials or skills, including advanced training in experimental methods or special techniques.

**Applicant eligibility:** PhD/MD with min 2 years postdoc experience

**Budget:** US\$ 10,000 each

**Duration:** 3 months and Up to 3 months extension

**Deadline:** 15th July, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.uicc.org/programmes/geti/our-activities/study-grants>

#### **(US) Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Fellowships (USIEF)**

**Remit:** To provide Indian faculty, researchers, and professionals residing in India the opportunity to teach, conduct research, or carry out a combination of lecturing and research at a U.S. institution.

**Applicant eligibility:** Indian faculty/researchers with at least 5 years teaching experience, preferably below 50 years of age.

**Budget:** Travel, monthly stipend etc.

**Agency deadline:** 15th July, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.usief.org.in/Fulbright-Nehru-Academic-Professional-Excellence-Fellowships.aspx>

#### **(US) Fulbright-Nehru Postdoctoral Research Fellowships (USIEF)**

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their research capacity

**Applicant eligibility:** Indian citizen residing in India at the time of application with a high level of academic/professional achievement, a Ph.D. degree within the past four years (between July 15, 2012 and July 14, 2016)

**Budget:** Round-trip economy class air travel between India and the U.S., a monthly stipend, Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges per U.S. Government guidelines, a modest settling-in allowance, and a professional allowance

**Duration:** 8-24 Months

**Deadline:** 15th July, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.usief.org.in/Fulbright-Nehru-Postdoctoral-Research-Fellowship.aspx>

#### (US) Indo-US R &D Joint Networked Center (IUSSTF)

**Remit:** To enable Indian and American scientists from academia and laboratories (both public and nongovernmental) to carry out joint research

**Applicant eligibility:** Minimum of two Indian and two American separate institutional partners (2+2 partnership mode)

**Budget:** Unit exchange international and domestic travel support by economy class and shortest route. Local hospitality and per diem for visiting scientists (including PhD & post doc scholars) with short stays up to 2 weeks and long stays up to 6 weeks

**Duration:** 2 Years.

**Agency deadline:** 31st Aug, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.iusstf.org/story/53-19-Indo-US-R--amp-D-Joint-Networked-Center.html>

#### (Japan) MIF Research Fellowship (Matsumae International Foundation, Japan)

**Remit:** To allow researchers to undertake short term research projects in an institute of choice in Japan

**Budget:** Stipend, Travel, insurance, relocation and living expenses

**Applicant eligibility:** PhD, permanent appointment in a research institute, age less than 49 years

**Duration:** 3-6 months

**Agency deadline:** 31st Aug, 2016

**Weblink:** [www.mif-japan.org/fellowship/announcement/?hl=en](http://www.mif-japan.org/fellowship/announcement/?hl=en)

### Postdoctoral Fellowships

#### Postdoctoral Fellowships- Cognitive Science Research Initiative CSRI- (DST)

**Remit:** To support postdoctoral research in frontier areas of Cognitive Science

**Applicant eligibility:** Applicants with good academic records and holding a PhD or equivalent degree in Science, Engineering and allied areas of Cognitive Science, below the age of 40.

**Budget:** Fellowship of Rs 55,000/-per month and research contingency grant of Rs 2,00,000/-per year

**Duration:** 2 years

**Agency deadline:** 31st May, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://dst.gov.in/cognitive-science-research-initiative-csri>

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**Remit:** To support early career researchers start their independent research careers, working in the best laboratories in India.

**Applicant eligibility:** Final year PhD student or with no more than four years of postdoctoral research experience.

**Budget:** Personal support and research expenses

**Duration:** 5 years

**Agency Deadline:** 6th June,2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.wellcomedbt.org/fellowships/early-career-fellowships>

### Postdoctoral Fellowship in Studying Complex Systems (James S. McDonnell Foundation)

**Remit:** To provide students with an opportunity to seek potential postdoctoral research opportunities on the basis of their interest and desire to obtain additional skills and experience that will further their pursuit of careers in complex systems science.

**Applicant eligibility:** Ph.D. students with theoretical and/or experimental training in Complex Systems Science that anticipate completing their graduate training in late 2016 or in 2017. No nationality restrictions.

**Budget:** \$200,000 USD

**Duration:** 2-3 years

**Deadline:** 30th June, 2016

**Weblink:** [www.jsmf.org/apply/fellowship](http://www.jsmf.org/apply/fellowship)

### Helen Hay Whitney Foundation Post doctoral scheme (HHWF)

**Remit:** To support early postdoctoral research training in all basic biomedical sciences.

**Applicant eligibility:** PhD with no more than *one year* of postdoctoral research experience at the time of the deadline for submitting the application

**Budget:** Travel Expenses, stipend and research allowance.

**Duration:** Three years

**Agency deadline:** 1st July, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.hhwf.org/HTMLSrc/ResearchFellowships.html>

### Fulbright-Kalam Climate Fellowship for Postdoctoral Research (USIEF)

**Remit:** To build long-term capacity to address climate change related issues between India and US.

**Applicant eligibility:** Indian citizen residing in India at the time of application with high level of academic/professional achievement. 0-4 years post-Ph.D. degree experience (Ph.D. awarded between July 15, 2012 and July 14, 2016).

**Budget:** Round-trip economy class air travel between India and the U.S., a monthly stipend, Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges per U.S. Government guidelines, a modest settling-in allowance, and a professional allowance.

**Duration:** 8-12 Months

**Agency deadline:** 15th July, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.usief.org.in/upload/ip2017-18/climate%20Fellowship/India-Fulbright-Kalam-Climate-Fellowship-Applicant-Instructions-for-Postdoc.pdf>

### Fulbright-Nehru Postdoctoral Research Fellowships (USIEF)



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research capacities.

**Applicant eligibility:** Indian citizen residing in India at the time of application with high level of academic/professional achievement. 0-4 years post-Ph.D. degree experience (Ph.D. awarded between July 15, 2012 and July 14, 2016).

**Budget:** Round-trip economy class air travel between India and the U.S., a monthly stipend, Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges per U.S. Government guidelines, a modest settling-in allowance, and a professional allowance

**Duration:** 8-24 Months

**Deadline:** 15th July, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.usief.org.in/Fulbright-Nehru-Postdoctoral-Research-Fellowship.aspx>

### Long-term fellowship (EMBO)

**Remit:** To support post-doctoral research visits to laboratories throughout Europe and the world.

**Applicant eligibility:** 0-2 years post PhD, at least one first author publication mandatory. All fellowships must involve movement between countries. The receiving institute or the applicant's nationality must be from one of the EMBC Member States.

**Budget:** Travel, stipend, dependent allowance

**Duration:** 2 years

**Agency Deadline:** 12th Aug, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.embo.org/funding-awards/fellowships/long-term-fellowships#about>

### Long term Fellowship (HFSP)

**Remit:** To support candidates with Ph.D. in a biological discipline to embark on a new project in a different field of the life sciences.

**Budget:** Generous funding covering living, travel, research and relocation allowances

**Applicant eligibility:** PhD (0-3 years post PhD experience) in life sciences, at least one lead author research paper mandatory

**Comments:** Requires relocation to country other than home country

**Duration:** 3 years (can be split into 2 years + 1 year after 2 years break) to be used to continue work in the host laboratory, to return to their home country, or to move to another HFSP member country.

**Agency deadline:** 25th Aug, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.hfsp.org/funding/postdoctoral-fellowships>

### Cross-Disciplinary Fellowship (HFSP)

**Remit:** To support candidates with Ph.D. from outside the life sciences (e.g. in physics, chemistry, mathematics, engineering or computer sciences), who have not worked in biological fields during their previous training to undertake a project in the field of life sciences

**Budget:** Generous funding covering living, travel, research and relocation allowances

**Applicant eligibility:** PhD (0-3 years post PhD experience) in field outside life sciences, at least one lead author research paper mandatory

**Comments:** Requires relocation to country other than home country

**Duration:** 3 years (can be split into 2 years + 1 year after 2 years break) to be used to continue work in the host laboratory, to return to their home country, or to move to another

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**Agency deadline:** 25th Aug, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.hfsp.org/funding/postdoctoral-fellowships>

## Travel

### Early career travel awards (PLOS)

**Remit:** To support early career fellows as effective communicators.

**Applicant eligibility:** Confirmed acceptance to present at a conference taking place between July 1, 2016 and March 31, 2017. Listed as an author on a PLOS journal article with a publication date on or before the date application is submitted. Enrolled in a graduate program or have received a graduate degree within the last five (5) years.

**Budget:** \$500 to offset registration and/or travel expenses

**Agency deadline:** 31st May, 2016

**Weblink:** <https://www.plos.org/ecr-travel-awards>

### Travelling Fellowship (Company of biologists)

**Remit:** Travel grant for graduate students and post-doctoral researchers who wish to make collaborative visits to other laboratories.

**Applicant eligibility:** The applicant should be working in the field of the journal (*Development*, *Journal of Cell Science*, *The Journal of Experimental Biology*, and *Disease Models & Mechanisms*)

**Budget:** Up to £2,500

**Agency deadline:** 31 July, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.biologists.com/fellowships.html>

### Travel Grants (IBRO-APRC)

**Remit:** To support young researchers and graduate students working in Asian/Pacific countries to attend and make presentations at international APRC member society meetings held within the region.

**Budget:** 1000-1500 USD

**Applicant eligibility:** Graduate students and researchers (age below 40 years) who have obtained a PhD within the last five years are eligible to apply.

**Comments:** Field of research -Neuroscience

**Agency deadline:** For meetings in Jan-June, deadline in Aug or Sep; for meetings in July-Dec, deadline in Feb or March.

**Weblink:** <http://ibro.info/professional-development/funding-programmes/regional-grants/asiapacific-grants/>

## Organizing Meetings/Workshops

### Scientific Meetings grant (Company of Biologists)

**Remit:** To fund the organisation of meetings, workshops and conferences within the fields of the company's journals.

**Applicant eligibility:** Organiser must have a PhD and must be in the organising group for the meeting. No nationality or geographic restrictions but preference given to events where organisers have sought maximal feasible diversity in speakers in terms of geography, gender

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**Budget:** Funds for organizing of meetings, support of young scientists and funding for plenary or keynote speakers attending meetings

**Agency Deadline:** 22nd June, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.biologists.com/grants/>

#### **Small Meetings grant (Company of Biologists)**

**Remit:** To fund the organisation of a small local meeting within the fields of the company's journals.

**Applicant eligibility:** Organiser must have a PhD and must be in the organising group for the meeting.

**Budget:** Level of funding normally not exceeding £400

**Agency Deadline:** 22nd June, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.biologists.com/grants/>

#### **International Scientific meetings (TWAS)**

**Remit:** To support the organizers of meetings in the following fields of natural sciences: agricultural, biological, chemical, engineering, geological and medical sciences.

**Applicant eligibility:** Organizers must be from developing country

**Budget:** up to USD 5,000

**Agency deadline:** 31st July, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://twas.org/opportunity/twas-grants-scientific-meetings-held-developing-countries>

#### **Indo-US Bilateral Workshops/ Symposia/ Conferences (IUSSTF)**

**Remit:** To support substantive interactions between Indian and American scientists and researchers from academia, laboratories and industry with the explicit aim to develop sustained linkages.

**Applicant eligibility:** Qualified scientist from all science disciplines working at Indian and American institutions.

**Budget:** Travel, visa fees, accommodation, events costs, other associated costs

**Agency Deadline:** 31st Aug, 2016

**Weblink:** <http://www.iusstf.org/story/53-17-Bilateral-Workshop--Symposium--Conference.html>

### **Rolling Schemes**

#### **Explorer Awards-Simons Foundation Autism Research Initiative (SFARI)**

**Remit:** To improve the understanding, diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorders (ASD) by funding innovative research of the highest quality and relevance.

**Applicant eligibility:** All applicants and key collaborators must hold a Ph.D., M.D. or equivalent degree and have a faculty position or the equivalent at a college, university, medical school or other research facility. There are no citizenship or country requirements.

**Budget:** Upto \$70,000

**Duration:** 1 year

**Weblink:** <https://sfari.org/funding/grants/explorer-awards-rfa>

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**Remit:** To support faculty exchange in order to strengthen existing collaborations between India and Cambridge

**Applicant eligibility:** Researchers at Indian universities with an existing academic relationship with colleagues at the University of Cambridge

**Budget:** Travel, transfers and accommodation.

**Duration:** 1-2 weeks

**Weblink:** <http://www.cambridge-india.org/funding-opportunities/hamied-visiting-fellowship>

#### **J C Bose National Fellowships (SERB)**

**Remit:** To recognize active scientists and engineers for their outstanding performance and contributions.

**Applicant eligibility:** Indian Nationals residing in India, with upper age limit of 68 years for completion of fellowship. Needs to be nominated by the institute.

**Budget:** Salary top-up of Rs. 25,000 per month plus research grant of Rs. 10.00 lakh.

**Duration:** 5 years

**Weblink:** <http://serb.gov.in/pdfs/guideline/jcbose-guideline.pdf>

#### **Ramanujan Fellowship (SERB)**

**Remit:** To support scientists from all over the world, who wish to return to India to take up scientific research positions.

**Applicant eligibility:** PhD/MD with excellent proven track-record. Age less than 55 years.

**Budget:** Fellowship support of Rs.85,000/-per month and research grant of 7 Lakhs per annum

**Duration:** 5 years

**Weblink:** <http://serb.gov.in/pdfs/guideline/ramanujan-guideline.pdf>

#### **Project grants (DBT)**

**Remit:** To support Research and Development projects in biotechnology and life sciences

**Applicant eligibility:** Ph D, Regular position in Indian research institutes/universities

**Budget:** upto 1 crore

**Duration:** 3-5 years

**Comments:** Submission through online web portal of DBT

**Weblink:** <http://dbtepromis.nic.in/Login.aspx>

#### **High Risk High Reward (SERB)**

**Remit:** To support proposals that are conceptually new and risky, and if successful, expected to have a paradigm shifting influence on science and technology.

**Applicant eligibility:** Ph D, Indian nationals holding a regular academic appointment in India

**Budget:** not defined

**Duration:** 3-5 years

**Comments:** Submission through online web portal of DBT

**Weblink:** <http://www.serb.gov.in/hrhrr.php>

#### **Industry Relevant R&D (SERB)**

**Remit:** To utilize the expertise available in academic institutions and national laboratories to solve industry specific problems for the larger benefit of society.

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appointment in India. All industries (including MSME & industrial R&D Centres) are eligible.

**Budget:** SERB will provide funds up to Rs.50 lakhs for supporting research costs to the academic partner. The industry partner is expected to share up to 50% of the total costs of the project.

**Duration:** 3-5 years

**Weblink:** <http://www.serb.gov.in/irrd.php>

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